IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE, ANDHRA PRADESH
AT HYDERABAD
(Special Original Jurisdiction)

MONDAY, THE FIFTH DAY OF JULY
TWO THOUSAND AND FOUR

PRESENT
THE HON'BLE SRI DEVINDER GUPTA,THE CHIEF JUSTICE
and
THE HON'BLE MS JUSTICE G.ROHINI

WRIT PETITION NO : 10795 of 2004

Between:
Vajja Srinivasa Rao, s/o Mastan Rao,
r/o H.No.6-2-802/3, Backside NASAR School, Khairatabad, Hyderabad.
..... PETITIONER

AND

1 The Principal Secretary, Law & Justice, Government of A.P.,
2 Hon'ble High Court of A.P., rep., by the Registrar(Administration).
3 The Registrar, A.P.State Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission.
.....RESPONDENTS

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the Affidavit filed herein the High Court will be pleased to issue a writ of mandamus, or any other appropriate writ, order or direction, directing the respondent authorities not to appoint the retired District Judges as the Presidents of the District Forums in the state of A.P., and to further direct the respondent authorities to appoint the Presidents of various District Forums in the State of A.P., either from the Judicial Service who are working as District Judges/Additional District Judges or by adopting the procedure of selection basis from the Advocates who are qualified to be a District Judge.

For the Petitioner:MR.VENKATESWARA RAO GUDAPATI

For the Respondent no.1: G.P. for Law & Justice.

For the Respondent no.2: SMT.M.BHASKARA LAKSHMI (SC FOR APHC)

For the Respondent no.3: None appeared

The Court made the following :

O R D E R :

Prayers made in this writ petition purported to have been filed as Public Interest Litigation are such that if allowed, will offend the provisions of Section 10 of the Consumer Protection Act, 1986. The petitioner is seeking direction against the respondents not to appoint retired District Judges as Presidents of District Consumer Forums in the State of Andhra Pradesh and seeking further direction to appoint Presidents of various District Forums from amongst those who are working as District Judges, Additional District Judges or by adopting procedure of selection from advocates who are qualified.

We see no reason to entertain such petition. The Writ Petition is dismissed.

(DEVINDER GUPTA, CJ)

05.07.2004

(G.ROHINI ,J)

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4) Two CCs to the G.P. for Law & Justice, High Court Buildings, High Courtof A.P., Hyderabad (o.u.t.)
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